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Dr. A Bass Bagayogo rocked a three-piece suit and fat bike Tuesday to help promote Bike to Work Week. BRAEDEN JONES/METRO

LGBTQ RIGHTS Premier mulls gender-neutral washrooms

Premier Brian Pallister, a Progressive Conservative long accused by his NDP opponents of being homophobic, said Tuesday he is considering a request to have a gender-neutral public washroom in the legislature.

Pallister said he received the request while attending Winnipeg's annual Pride rally outside the historic building earlier this month. He is only the second Manitoba premier to have attended the event.

"There's lots of space in this beautiful legislature, and if that's an important issue, then it should be addressed," Pallister said.

"If we can do a better job of accommodating individual needs within the construct of what we have here, we should take a look at it."

While the number of gender-neutral public washrooms is growing at universities and other public buildings, many legislatures across the country have not adopted them, including those in Ontario and Quebec.

The New Democrats said Tuesday they were looking for Pallister to follow through on this and other statements he has made since being elected April 19.

"One's words should be substantiated by actions," interim NDP leader Flor Marcelino said.

Pallister has faced accusations of being opposed to gay and lesbian rights since he took over the Tory leadership in 2012.

Pallister has said his position on same-sex marriage evolved over the years. On Tuesday, he said while he is a fiscal conservative, he is not ideological on most matters. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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TIMELINE | Timeline of the Manitoba Hydro land deal

2014 The City of Winnipeg approaches Manitoba Hydro about acquiring land in the city's south end in order to build the second stage of the nearly \$590-million southwest bus rapid transit line. The Crown Corporation says these 16 acres of land are an important transmission corridor, which contain underground electrical cables, a natural gas supply line and underground communication lines.

January 2015: The city and Hydro agree to follow the advice of independent appraiser Browaty and Associates, hired to provide a market value assessment of the land.

January 2016: City learns Hydro disputes the appraiser's methodology. Later in the month, Hydro hires Altus Group to carry out a second land valuation, using a different approach.

August 2015: The appraiser reports the land valuation at \$4.6 million

May 2016: Hydro tables Altus Group's results, which pegs the value of the land at between \$32-\$34 million. Meetings continue between Hydro and city officials.

June 2, 2016: As a result of further meetings, Hydro offers a negotiated price of between \$19-\$20.4 million, with an option to reduce it to between \$11.7-\$13.1 million if the city transfers closed roads and road right-of-ways back to Hydro in an 18-month time frame.

June 8: Mayor Brian Bowman's executive policy committee votes in the agreement, but not without some councillors accusing Hydro of dealing in bad faith, and even compare their negotiating to stealing.

Winnipeg Transit director Dave Wardrop says construction on the second phase of the southwest BRT line can't begin with purchasing the land, and that not inking the deal would effectively cancel the entire project.

June 14: Manitoba Hydro CEO and President Kelvin Shepherd announced its board members have approved the sale of land.

June 7: The city committee that deals with planning, property and development endorses the land deal, as councillors learn how the initially understood price of \$4.6 escalated.

GRAPHIC:
ANDRES PLANA/METRO

Hydro CEO defends land deal

PROPERTY

'No evidence of a negotiation in bad faith': Kelvin Shepherd



Stephanie Taylor
Metro | Winnipeg

After much frustration at city hall, inking what could be a \$20.4 million land deal with Manitoba Hydro to buy property needed to begin construction on the next phase of the city's southwest bus rapid transit line is a question now in the hands of Winnipeg

councillors for a final time.

Councillors are set to vote on what's shaped up to be a publicly disputed agreement tomorrow, which the Crown corporation announced on Tuesday that its board had approved.

Hydro president and CEO Kelvin Shepherd told reporters repeatedly during a news conference Tuesday they acted fairly in the sale of 16 acres of its land with the city, in spite of accusations otherwise.

"I see no evidence of a negotiation in bad faith," he said.

As stated in an earlier staff report, Hydro reiterated the around \$20 million price tag could drop to around \$11.7 million if the city agrees to transfer roads and road right-of-ways within the corridor

back to Hydro in an 18-month time frame.

"There are things to learn from this," Shepherd said of negotiating with the city. "One of the problems with this early on is that there clearly isn't a formal agreement on how to proceed. There's an exchange of opinions, and phone calls and emails."

"We should have actually written an MOU or an agreement," Shepherd said.

The Crown corporation had a disagreement with the initial third-party appraisal of the land value — a major sticking point with council, who understood the city and Hydro reached an agreement on a \$4.6 million land value.

When grilled by media about the issue, Shepherd said the prop-

erty was valued as surplus and vacant, when in fact it is an important corridor to Hydro.

He said there was only an

“One of the problems with this early on is that there clearly isn't a formal agreement on how to proceed.”

Kelvin Shepherd

understanding in place to work with the city during the appraisal process.

"There was never an under-

standing that it would be a binding appraisal or sole appraisal that we would only rely on," said Shepherd.

Winnipeg Mayor Brian Bowman said only he headed to a scheduled briefing.

"My understanding is it's a description of the negotiated settlement," Bowman said of Hydro's stated sale approval.

Some of what's to be included in the briefing, says Bowman, is further clarity on how much the city could actually lower the sale price of the land.

"Obviously we want to have as low as cost as possible to the City of Winnipeg, but that's really a question that we're going to be seeking some clarity from the administration on in terms of

how realistic is it, and where is that number likely going to fall," he said.

A staff report pegs the final price to sit somewhere in the middle of \$12-\$20 million.

Accusations that Hydro acted in bad faith began to fly after city administrators told councillors the Crown Corporation had agreed to a third-party appraiser's value of the land at \$4.6 million, but later disputed the methodology, and had the land reappraised at between \$32-\$34 million.

That price later dropped to around \$20.4 million through negotiations with the city.

Councillors convened for the second of two closed-door meetings in two days on the contentious deal.



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Councillors call for extra \$30M



Stephanie Taylor
Metro | Winnipeg

Two Winnipeg councillors plan on asking the city to spend an extra \$30 million to fix more residential streets this summer.

Ross Eadie and Russ Wyatt circulated a news release Tuesday afternoon, outlining their plan to table this request as a notice of motion during Wednesday's council meeting.

Wyatt said a number of this summer's roadwork projects are coming in under budget, which, according to them, means there are extra savings lying around.

"Residential streets, we heard it loud and clear in the 2014 election as the top priority. We hear it every day as the top priority, and we're getting good pricing so let's get some more work out there to fix the streets," he said Tuesday.

If the pair's plan is successful, city staff would be tasked

with adding another \$30 million worth of roadwork to the current construction season, and using some of the estimated savings towards next year's street repairs.

The approved 2016 budget for local and regional road renewal is \$105.2 million.

Back in May, the city committee on infrastructure renewal and public works heard from public works director Lester Deane that city staff were cautiously optimistic the department could end the season with a surplus in its residential roads budget.

Although some bids had come in below the expected prices, Deane said some road projects could end up over budget.

That means projected surpluses cannot be determined until July or August, Deane told last month's committee.

Even if there is extra cash available, he said, it would be put toward projects that require minimal engineer work, such as street paving.



Bike Winnipeg director Mark Cohoe was at city hall last week speaking against mandatory helmet rules that, he said, would discourage their use. They're already mandatory for anyone under 18 years. BRAEDEN JONES/METRO

Riders in suits help launch Bike Week

MUSIC

Praise Yeezus, Kanye coming to Winnipeg

Winnipeggers who love Kanye West as much as Kanye loves Kanye will get to see him live when he comes to the MTS Centre this fall.

The Grammy Award winning rapper is bringing his Saint Pablo Tour — the first North American tour he's gone on in three years — to Winnipeg on Oct. 12.

Tickets to see Kanye West do his Kanye Best (looking Kanye fresh) go on sale June 18 at 10 a.m. through Ticketmaster.

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Kanye West. GETTY IMAGES

CYCLING

New events this year include a 'bike-thru breakfast'



Braeden Jones
Metro | Winnipeg

Like riding a bike, a pack of cyclists in formal attire is hard to forget — which might be why Bike Week organizers used the spectacle to kick off the annual week of cycle-appreciation and awareness.

"What a great activity," said

Dave Elmore, Bike Week's project Manager, noting people should add it to their calendar for next year.

People in suits, dresses, heels and dress shoes mounted fat bikes, electric bikes, fixies and trikes for the second consecutive year to ride from The Forks to City Hall Tuesday.

But while that opening activity caters to the downtown business types, Elmore emphasized that Bike Week and the "great line-up of bike-related activities" from June 18 to June 24 is for "everyone."

"Our goal really is to connect with all Winnipeggers that enjoy riding bicycles and encourage new riders especially

to help grow a culture here in the city that accepts bikes as a part of normal, everyday life," Elmore said.

A 20-year active transportation network plan approved last summer will see the city spend \$334-million to achieve that goal — starting with \$6 million in studies and work on sidewalks and pathways this year.

"There are many areas in the city where the strategy is going to help create greater linkages and safer routes for all of our cyclists," Mayor Brian Bowman said of the plan, which won a national award from the Canadian Institute of Planners last week. But before much of that plan comes to fruition, Elmore

says Bike Week will raise awareness of cyclists and biking in its current form in Winnipeg.

New events this year include family rides and a 'bike-thru breakfast,' and favourites from past bike weeks include the community bike shop day, bike yoga, an outdoor spin class and the ninth annual Bike to Work Day, in which organizers predict around 4,000 riders will participate.

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Police find DNA in 1979 murder

CRIME

Investigators hope for break in Irene Pearson cold case

Braeden Jones
Metro | Winnipeg

Winnipeg Police are looking for the public's help to advance a cold case that chilled the city in 1979.

In November of that year, Irene Pearson, 31, was working as a real estate agent when she was found stabbed to death in the basement of a home she was showing on Kinver Avenue.

"It's a strong possibility that (she) was showing the home to someone she believed to be a potential client," said Sgt. John O'Donovan of the Winnipeg Police Service (WPS) homicide unit.

That was what investigators believed at the time, too, but no arrest was ever made.

Now the WPS historical



Sgt. John O'Donovan of the WPS speaks to media Tuesday. Inset: Irene Pearson. BRAEDEN JONES/METRO; HANDOUT

homicide unit is looking into the case again because "there have been significant advances in DNA technology" that open up new leads.

"Investigators would like to

hear from anyone who may have worked construction on the home at 114 Kinver Avenue," O'Donovan said.

He clarified they are not suspects, and suggested that speak-

ing with anyone who worked on the show home could allow police to eliminate them from DNA gathered 37 years ago.

"(The DNA) years ago would have been useless, and today

it's a tool, it's something we can use," he said.

Police last shared information about the case when new DNA evidence was examined in 2007, but at that time no

suspect was identified.

Though still guarded with most details of the investigation, police are also sharing new details about the potential suspect's vehicle.

"Investigators believe one of the last people to be in that house with the victim drove a red or blue newer-model Plymouth Volare," O'Donovan said.

"It is believed someone may have observed something in and around the time of (Pearson's death)."

Police hope the information about the car, interviews with people who were in the home before or while it was a show home, or information from anyone who has facts they may see as "mundane" can help them close the cold case.

"If we get (new information) from anybody it will help advance it," O'Donovan said. "This was a horrific incident that shocked the citizens of Winnipeg back in 1979, and it's still pretty horrific."

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'My wife makes me angry'

CAMPAIGN

Program gives counselling to abusive men



Yvette d'Entremont
Metro | Halifax

Three stark black and white posters with powerful messages were unveiled Tuesday at Halifax Regional Police headquarters ahead of a panel discussion about men's violence against women.

"My wife makes me angry so I push her. My son makes me angry so I push him. I'm angry that I can't be a better man," states one of the posters.

The launch of New Start Counselling's 'On being a better man' campaign raised questions about funding for the organization that provides counselling for men who abuse their intimate partners.

The group received funding



Wendy Keen, executive director of New Start Counselling, unveils their poster campaign on Tuesday in Halifax. JEFF HARPER/METRO

to create the impactful posters, but has no advertising budget.

Wendy Keen, executive director of New Start Counselling, said her program is struggling due to a lack of resources. Funded through a provincial operating grant of \$235,000 a year, she said they've been forced to prioritize clients because they only have 2.8 full time counsellors.

"This work is so important because it's not just about

men, it's about families," Keen said, noting they could triple their staff next week and still be busy.

As part of the panel discussion on men's violence against women, Halifax Regional Police Staff Sgt. Scott MacDonald announced they'd recently expanded their crime prevention unit to include a constable who will focus on domestic violence crime prevention.

HEALTH

Doctors to test kids' lungs



Jeremy Simes
For Metro | Calgary

Alberta doctors have launched a clinical assessment trial to understand how Fort McMurray's air quality will affect children's lungs after wild-fires decimated the region in early May.

Dr. Irena Buka, director of Edmonton's Children's Environmental Health Clinic, said doctors spearheaded the trial after learning arsenic ash was found at some sites in the city.

"We need to plan for these type of events," she said.

The assessments, which will occur at multiple clinics in Edmonton, are open to children ages 6-17 who are either diagnosed with asthma or use puffers for chest wheezing, or have never had an asthma diagnosis or used puffers.

Buka said physicians will measure lung function by using a specialized computer, where children will be asked to blow into a special tube.



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MP under fire for petition to loosen laws on AR-15 rifle

BRITISH COLUMBIA

Similar to weapon used in Orlando shootings



David P. Ball
Metro | Vancouver

NDP MP Nathan Cullen took a fellow northern B.C. politician to task Tuesday for sponsoring a petition that would make it easier for Canadians to get their hands on a semi-automatic rifle like the one used in the Orlando massacre and other U.S. mass shootings.

Cullen argued that Conservative backbencher Bob Zimmer's support for reclassifying the AR-15 rifle — a civilian version of the U.S. Army's M-16 assault weapon — as an unrestricted hunting gun is "not defensible."

"Hunters I know don't use this gun for hunting," the New Demo-



A Conservative MP is facing criticism from his peers over his petition to classify the AR-15, a similar model as the gun used in the Orlando massacre, as an unrestricted hunting gun. GETTY IMAGES

crat told Metro in a phone interview. "You certainly wouldn't use it in your practice as a farmer."

"Any argument that says this is simply a hunting weapon probably hasn't been hunting lately. This is not a hunting gun. It's designed to do what it did in Orlando, which is to kill people — and not just Orlando, but San

Diego and Sandy Hook."

Contrary to many media reports since Sunday's Pulse gay bar massacre, the main gun the shooter used was not in fact a Colt Armalite Rifle (AR-15), but another company's adaptation — a Sig Sauer MCX carbine.

Regardless of the name, however, both weapons are civilian

versions of the U.S. military assault rifle M-16, and can be easily modified to illegally make them fully automatic. In Canada, restricted weapons can only be fired at authorized ranges, can only fire five rounds, and require strict permits.

Zimmer sponsored the petition through a new electronic

“It's designed to do what it did in Orlando, which is to kill people.”

Name of person

system launched last year, and presented it in Parliament on May 13. He did not respond to Metro's interview requests.

The federal government began accepting citizen's electronic petitions last December, but each needs a sitting MP as a sponsor to present them before the House of Commons.

When Zimmer did that, he thanked the petition's Newfoundland creator, "a firearms advocate," adding he was "honoured" to present it to MPs. Zimmer is co-chair of the Parliamentary Outdoor Caucus, which hosted a "Caucus Shooting Day" event for MPs to fire guns at a range on June 7, five days before the Orlando massacre.

INVESTIGATION

Shooter seen at Pulse on occasion

The murky picture of Orlando gunman Omar Mateen grew more complex Tuesday with word that the FBI is investigating whether he had been a regular at the gay dance club he attacked and had been living a secret life as a gay man.

As victims described the bloody horror of the massacre during a riveting hospital news conference, investigators continued to gather information on the 29-year-old American-born Muslim — and took a close look at his wife, too — for clues to the attack that left 49 victims dead.

A number of possible explanations and motives for the bloodbath have emerged, with Mateen professing allegiance to Daesh, his ex-wife saying he was mentally ill, and his father suggesting he was driven by hatred of gays.

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Omar Mateen
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Stranger says sorry to gay salon owner

ORLANDO

Neighbour had said he always hated Connors and his partner

Yvette d'Entremont
Metro | Halifax

On Monday morning, Fred Con-

nors says he got a Facebook message from a stranger who said he'd always hated Connors because he was gay.

But the man went on to say he'd changed his views in light of the deadly attacks at Orlando's Pulse nightclub. The man, who said he lived on Connors's street, felt ashamed and wanted to apologize.

"This is 2016 and an adult male with children in my neighbourhood actually believed that

there was something biblically wrong with me because I was gay," Connors said during a phone interview in between clients at his New York City salon.

"This led him to hate me and my partner and not support our business even though he saw the work we were doing in the community and the impact it was having. So what I do find is it often takes big tragedies to create paradigm changes."

The Halifax businessman said

he was very touched by the message, and was glad the man had changed his way of thinking.

Like Connors, the man had been raised Catholic.

"This event did something for him much more than it did for me. Great. You don't hate me anymore, but my life isn't different," Connors said. "Your life is, because you've stopped hating gay people just because you were told you should by your religion."



The man who sent the message to Fred Connors said the tragic shootings in Orlando changed his point of view. HALEY RYAN/METRO

U.S. ELECTION

Clinton victorious in final primary

Hillary Clinton brought a close to the presidential primary season with a win Tuesday in the nation's capital and a meeting with dispatched rival Bernie Sanders, hoping to set a tone of Democratic unity heading into next month's party convention in Philadelphia.

Clinton's win in the District of Columbia, the final primary of 2016, had no bearing on her role as the presumptive nominee, but it nevertheless marked a transition in the lengthy primary fight between the two rivals.

"We're going to have a wide-ranging conversation, because we share a lot of the same goals," Clinton said Tuesday night in an interview with Telemundo. "We both want to raise the minimum wage, we want to fight

inequality of income, we want to make college affordable and we certainly want everybody to get health care."

She added, "I very much am looking forward to having his support in this campaign, because Donald Trump poses a serious threat to our nation."

Before polls closed in Washington, Sanders vowed again to do all he can to prevent the presumptive Republican presidential nominee from reaching the White House — but he declined to endorse Clinton.

The Vermont senator has said the private meeting will help him determine how committed Clinton will be to the policy issues he has staked out during his 13-month campaign.

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Hillary Clinton's win in the District of Columbia marked a transition in the Democratic Party primary fight. GETTY IMAGES

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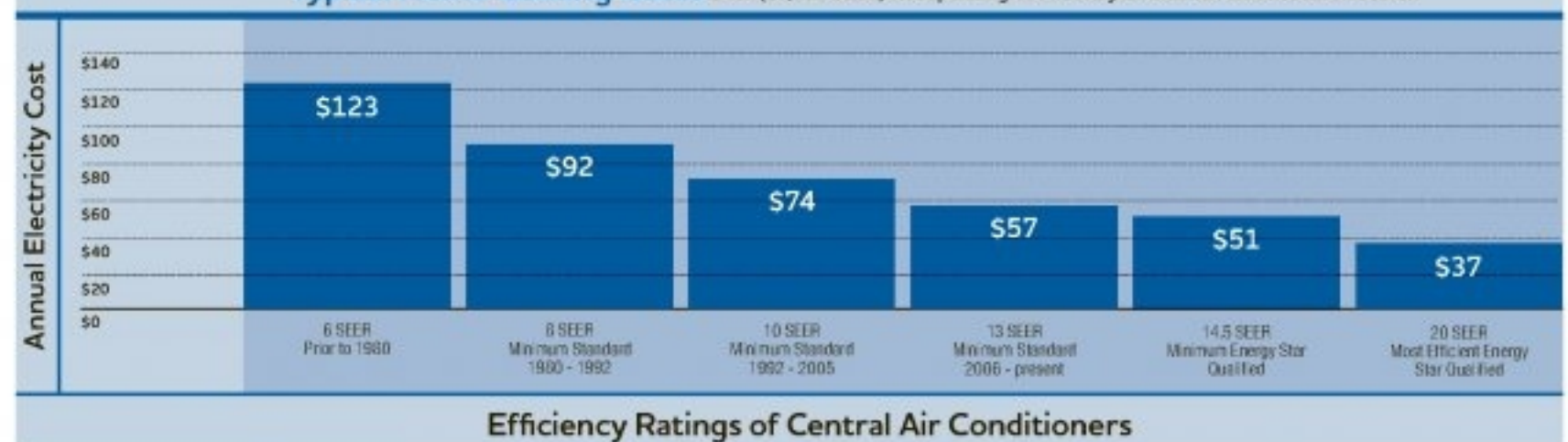
Time to prepare your central or window air conditioning unit for the warmer weather:

- Inspect the air filter; clean or change, if necessary.
- Clear the area around the outside condenser coil.
- Check the outside condenser coil regularly to ensure it's clean and not blocked with leaves, pollen, grass, dirt, etc.
- Ensure that the return and supply registers in your home (if you have central air) are unobstructed or that the window unit is not blocked by furniture or drapery.
- Direct the vents upward to blow the cool air up; it will drift naturally down to floor level.
- Ensure that the drain line from the coil within the home is clear and unobstructed (central air systems).
- Caulk and weather strip around windows and doors to prevent the cool air from leaking out and the heat from leaking in.

- During operation, keep windows closed and draperies drawn on windows facing the sun.
- A central air conditioner with a SEER of 13 will save \$10-\$20/year† compared to an older unit with a SEER rating of 10.
- Book your central air conditioning contractor for an annual cleaning and inspection (this is a good time to check your furnace too!). The service should include cleaning of the outside condenser coil, inside evaporator coil, inside fan assembly, filter replacement, inspecting all other components, and checking that the system is operating correctly.

A properly sized unit will run continuously on a hot, humid day, steadily condensing out moisture on the cooling coils and lowering the relative humidity for a far more comfortable condition. Talk to your contractor about the proper air conditioner size for your home.

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ROSEMARY WESTWOOD ON AMERICA'S DIVISIONS

The concept of a national conversation was lost somewhere along the way to the reality of a national stalemate. And that is fairly terrifying.

In Louisiana, where temperatures hug the low-30s and 80 per cent humidity regularly thickens the air, it's apparently not enough to be on death row.

State officials there have spent \$1 million fighting a court order to install air conditioning (more than the cost of said air conditioning), by arguing prisoners can make do with cold showers.

No air conditioning. In Louisiana. On death row. It's a bad joke, except it's actually a headline. And that is the case so often in America these days. When Donald Trump — waving his golden scepter and adjusting the TRUMP crown on his head — pulled press credentials from the entire Washington Post this week, it was a move without precedent that should signal to Trump's followers just how little he cares about freedom. In this case, of the press.

Trump banned the "phony and dishonest" Post after it ran a story about Trump's conspiracy-theory suggestion that President Barack Obama may be somehow involved with the Orlando shooting. That statement, too, should signal to Trump's followers all the sunbathing has finally given Trump perpetual sun-stroke, to the point that he sees Daesh sympathy in a man condemned internationally for going too

What are Trump supporters actually thinking about all this? What we've learned in the last year is, they're not really thinking at all.

far (in particular with drone strikes) to kill terrorists.

But then we have to ask: What are Trump support-

home the need for gun control, and comedian Samantha Bee slams Florida's governor for his inaction,

ment that is America?

I consider it a human duty to be able to relate to others, or at least to try.



Penny Milligan, of Morganton, N.C., shows her support for Republican presidential candidate Donald Trump outside a rally in Greensboro, N.C., on Tuesday.

CHUCK BURTON/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

ers actually thinking about all this? And what we've learned in the last year is, they're not really thinking at all. They just love Trump, whatever he says. And the crazier it gets, well, the crazier it gets. It's brand power the Queen would envy. And it suggests a definable, if also unknowable, group who can't be reached by reason or reportage. How big that group is, we may never know. But it was big enough to earn him the Republican nomination.

More generally, the attacks in Orlando have revealed not just deep, but perhaps insurmountable ideological differences among Americans. While Hillary Clinton hammers

Trump doubled down on the need for more guns (apparently so Americans can battle it out against terrorists in the streets), a tactic the New York Times warns could actually secure him some needed votes from less educated white Democrats.

That Trump stands to actually gain more support, after all we've seen, genuinely baffles me. But Americans undoubtedly know better. The concept of a national conversation was lost somewhere along the way to the reality of a national stalemate. And that is fairly terrifying. In this era of intractable difference, are there any minds still open to change? And what does that say for the shared experi-

And I'm failing, because I can't understand a person so "tough on crime" they can't even install air conditioning for a few dead-men-walking, or someone so afraid of controls on guns they'd rather live amid routine mass shootings via assault rifles.

And perhaps that confusion is also a Canadian thing. In the American era of Trump, of mass shootings, of bans on Muslims and attacks on abortions and a national uproar over trans people using bathrooms, I've never been faced with so much evidence that we are not at all the same.

America feels, more than ever, deeply unknowable, deeply foreign, and deeply stuck.



Peggo puts happy face on transit payments

YOUR RIDE

Colin Fast



Peggo, the smiley new smart card from Winnipeg Transit, will be one of biggest innovations in the city's transportation history when it finally launches next month.

And it's a guarantee that within five minutes of going live, people will hate it.

Such rollouts around the world have taught us these things rarely go smoothly. Between glitches in hardware and software, and the learning curve for riders, drivers and retailers, something is almost sure to go wrong.

Transit's own Q&A warns of several potential problems, from the "card clash" created when the system accidentally reads your bank card instead of your transit card, to the 48-hour delay in getting online cash transfers loaded.

Exacerbating these issues will be Transit's somewhat puzzling decision to introduce Peggo with seniors first. Yes, that's right: Your grandma has had "12:00" flashing on her VCR since 1992, but she's going to pilot a contactless payment system for her weekly run to Safeway. Hopefully, she Snapchats her experience.

After spending nearly a decade and several million dollars to get this system running, you'd think Transit would want to score some quick wins with early adopters rather than angry calls to CJOB, but maybe it hopes giving seniors more time to adjust will help smooth the transition.

Despite the inevitable growing pains, Peggo will be a big improvement for transit riders,

drivers and planners.

For starters, digging around in your pockets for change or paper tickets seems archaic at a time when you can use a phone to order an Uber or Lyft driver right to your front door. Well, in some progressive cities anyway.

A variety of new short-term pass options will be an added convenience for tourists or people who find themselves without a car for a few days.

Security will improve, too, as police should be able to tap into Peggo records to find out who was on board a particular bus if there's an incident.

But perhaps the biggest advantage of the new system will take place behind the scenes, where Winnipeg Transit will be able to collect big data about when and where Winnipeggers ride the bus.

They'll know how many people get on at each stop, and will be able to get a sense of travel patterns. That information will allow the city to make more intelligent decisions about service levels.

The system will need continuous upgrades if it's going to fulfil its promise. Most notably, Transit should add the ability to pay fares via phone through a Peggo app or using Apple Pay or Google Wallet. It would also be useful if Peggo could be integrated into any future plan for a citywide bike share program.

But the basic smart card is a good start, and given the chance to succeed, Peggo should put a smile on the faces of transit users.

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When life gives you lemons

INTERVIEW

Vegetarian recipes include bright notes of citrus flavours

Melita Kuburas
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Eating vegetables will never go out of style.

"That can't trend out," says Jeanine Donofrio, creator of the Love & Lemons food blog who just released a cookbook that features all vegetarian recipes — an A to Z (or Apples to Zucchini) guide to cooking with plants.

Much like the nose-to-tail philosophy that meat lovers subscribe to, Donofrio is committed to wasting no part of the beloved plants she chops up.

"I try to think of what I have before I go back to the store," says Donofrio, who is from Austin, Texas. "I can make a whole thing of pasta with two leftover radishes and leftover spinach."

A perfect example of her commitment to reducing waste and saving money in The Love & Lemons cookbook (Viking, \$35) is the Carrot-Ginger Grain Bowl,

in which she uses the tops of the carrots in the meal.

But don't think using scraps makes the food look messy.

As a graphic designer, Donofrio thinks visually first. She left her job in 2011 to start the blog with her husband, and she collaborated with a former coworker on the book.

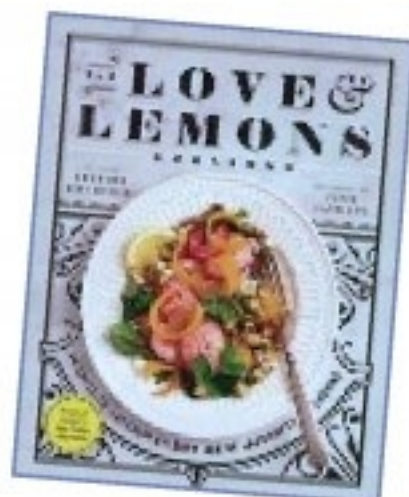
"I think of design elements like colour, pattern or texture when I'm creating a recipe. Also, I think about how it will look on the plate and how the flavours will work together," she says.

In that sense, the visually striking lemon theme is symbolic of her commitment to the esthetic. Most recipes do include a citrus component, however. "I like bright food so I generally find myself finishing things with a squeeze of lemon. Sometimes it's lime."



I thought of it in the middle of the night and I went to register the URL at 3 a.m. I was like, 'Oh that's it!'

Jeanine Donofrio, on LoveAndLemons.com



RECIPE FROM THE LOVE & LEMONS COOKBOOK

ROASTED CAULIFLOWER TACOS WITH CHIPOTLE CREAM

Serves 4.
Gluten Free

Ingredients:

- 1 medium head cauliflower, cut into small florets
- Extra-virgin olive oil, for drizzling
- 2 chipotle peppers from canned chipotles in adobo sauce
- 8 tortillas, warmed or grilled
- 1 medium avocado, sliced
- Cilantro
- 1 lime, sliced
- Sea salt and freshly ground black pepper

Ingredients for chipotle yogurt sauce:

- 7 ounces (200 g) full-fat Greek yogurt
- 1 chipotle pepper (from the can used above)
- 1 small garlic clove
- 1 teaspoon (5 mL) fresh lime juice
- 1 teaspoon (5 mL) extra-virgin olive oil
- 1 teaspoon (5 mL) honey
- Sea salt

Directions:

1. Preheat the oven to 400°F (200°C).

2. Line a large baking sheet with parchment paper. Add the cauliflower and drizzle with olive oil and a pinch of salt and pepper. Toss to combine. Working over the baking sheet, use your hands to break up 2 chipotle peppers, along with some of the adobo sauce. Toss again to coat the cauliflower, and roast for 25 to 30 minutes, or until golden brown.

3. Make the chipotle yogurt sauce: In a small food processor, combine the yogurt, chipotle pepper, garlic, lime juice, olive oil, honey, and a pinch of salt. Blend until smooth. Taste and adjust seasoning, adding more salt, pepper, and lime juice as desired.

4. Assemble each taco in a tortilla with a spoonful of sauce, the roasted cauliflower, and a slice of avocado. Serve with the cilantro and lime slices on the side.



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JOHANNA SCHNELLER WHAT I'M WATCHING

Just Cuddle taps into millennial awkwardness

THE SHOW: Just Cuddle, S1, E4 (web series)

THE MOMENT: The waffles

A professional cuddler (Winter Tekenos-Levy) is with a client (Nancy Mamais) who recently learned she has a rare, debilitating brain disease.

(Both women are in their 20s.) The client plans to kill herself with painkillers and wants Cuddler to hold her as she takes them. But first she wants to use the waffle maker her aunt gave

her. As they eat, Client asks Cuddler how she began cuddling. "English degree," she says. "Saw a Craigslist ad."

"Something more," the client says. Cuddler explains that when she was young, her uncle had MS. One day she was home alone with him and he called her name. "I could see he was in pain," she says. "I went into my room and shut the door. What kind of a person does that?"

The press release for this web series, created by Michael Kimber

and Elias Campbell, was savvy enough to include an Atlantic magazine article about real-life cuddlers, who work for agencies with names like Snuggle Buddies and earn up to \$80 (U.S.) an hour.

These webisodes (four so far) sound an alarm about, and offer a solution to, a type of anxiety that feels particularly millennial. The characters have tons of empathy for causes. Face to face, though, they find empathy awkward (and they hate awkward). Their lives are stuffed

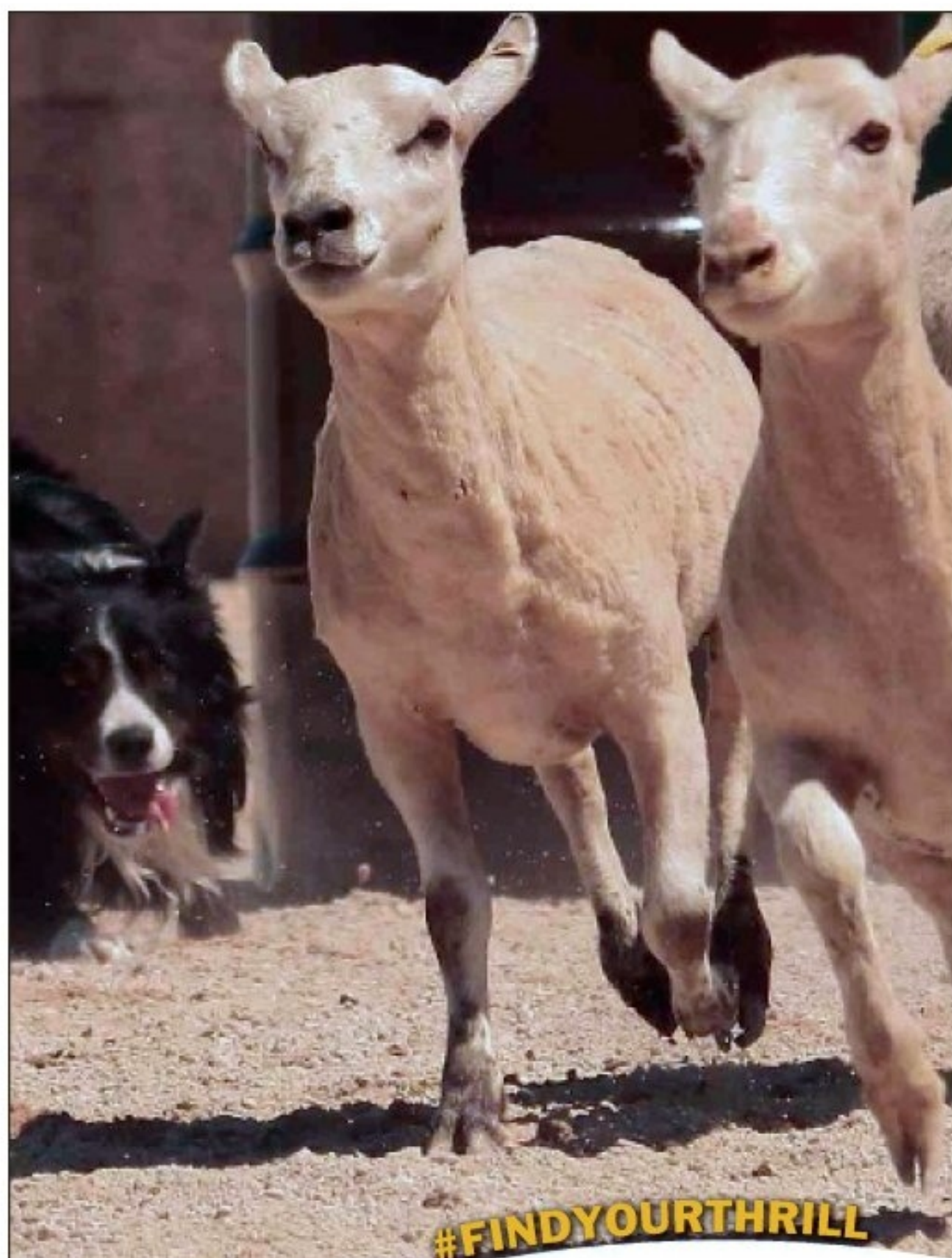
with virtual friends but starved for human touch.

Cuddler is an answer, especially because she's utterly non-judgmental. This series is the Beatles song Eleanor Rigby translated to digital video and Cuddler is a human safe space. Just Cuddle can be seen on vimeo.com.

Johanna Schneller is a media connoisseur who zeroes in on pop-culture moments. She appears Monday through Thursday.



Pro cuddler in Just Cuddle (Winter Tekenos-Levy), left, with her client (Nancy Mamais) in web series Just Cuddle. CONTRIBUTED



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From left to right: Margaret Atwood is the first author to participate in the Future Library Project, meaning a manuscript she has written won't be read for almost a century. Scottish artist Katie Paterson is the creator of the Future Library Project, which will see the works of 100 authors stored until they can be published in 98 years on paper from trees that were planted in 2014. Martin Shkreli, who epitomizes corporate greed, bought the only copy of Wu-Tang Clan's album for \$2 million to "keep it from the people." GETTY IMAGES/TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Is it still art if no one can enjoy it?

CULTURE

Authors and movie makers will postdate release of work

Some authors crave public adulation. Others are content to wait for it — even if it takes 100 years.

David Mitchell, the British author of the 2004 novel *Cloud Atlas*, is the second major writer to submit a manuscript to the Future Library Project, which will delay its publication until the trees in a Norwegian forest are mature enough to make the paper it'll be printed on, a century from now.

Mitchell, 47, won't be alive when the work comes out in 98 years. Neither will Canada's Margaret Atwood, 76, who gave a manuscript called *Scribbler Moon* to the project last year.

The project, which is the brainchild of Scottish artist Katie Paterson, began in the summer of 2014 when 1,000 trees were planted in Nordmarka, Norway, near the country's capital, Oslo.

The City of Oslo and a public corporation jointly sponsored the project and paid for the trees to be planted and for a special room in the city's Deichman Public Library where the manuscripts will be displayed.

Paterson's plan is for an "outstanding" author to do the same — providing both a print and digital copy of a new book — every year until 2114.

"I was simply sketching tree rings and I had a vision I guess. Tree rings, chapter, paper, books, future, trees, forest, writers — kind of all like that. And I imagined planting a forest that would grow a book over time," Paterson told CBC Radio. Atwood has described the concept as "delicious."

Mitchell, whose novel is called *From Me Flows What You Call Time*, is similarly enchanted. "It's trees, it's books, it's a circle, it's pulp, it's organic matter turning into (paper). And then the words get printed on them. I love that," Mitchell said.

The participating authors aren't the only ones embracing the concept of delayed gratification.

Actor-director John Malkovich and director Robert Rodriguez recently released a teaser trailer for their film *Years* — the Movie You'll Never See, in which the actor says, with mock gravity, "Imagine the future."

Inspired by a fine bottle of Louis XIII cognac — which the website notes retails for \$3,100

for a 700 mL bottle and is made from cognacs that have been aged for 100 years — the film has been sealed in a vault and will not be screened until Nov. 18, 2115.

And in the marketing coup of the decade, hip-hop group Wu-Tang Clan produced a single copy of an album entitled *Once Upon a Time in Shaolin*, which the group announced it would sell to the highest bidder.

Along came hedge-fund entrepreneur Martin Shkreli, who paid \$2 million for the album last November.

Shkreli had become the face of corporate greed and one of the most hated human beings on the planet for buying a pharmaceutical company and hiking the price of a life-saving drug by 5,000 per cent.

Shkreli bragged he bought the album to "keep it from the people" and hasn't even listened to all of its 31 tracks.

Last December, a month after his purchase, Shkreli was arrested by the FBI and charged with seven securities fraud-related charges. A guilty verdict on all of them could keep Shkreli in jail for 100 years.

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“I imagined planting a forest that would grow a book over time.”

Future Library Project creator Katie Paterson

New Camaro is really, really fun



REVIEW

Fast, efficient, great sound — there's a lot to like here



Craig Cole
AutoGuide.com

Since my first Chevy Camaro encounter during a harrowing drive through an ice storm in Montana, I've driven it on a couple other occasions, though curiously only V6-powered examples. Chevy's eight-cylinder offering has eluded me, until now.

And it was worth the wait! SS models features GM's potent 6.2-litre LT1, a modern-day descendant of the original small block that was introduced back in the 1950s.

While practically every other automaker has abandoned pushrods in favour of overhead camshafts, this venerable V8 still uses 16 of the buggers to operate its valves. This configuration is a total throwback, but it delivers heady numbers, in this case, 455 horsepower and an equal amount of torque. That's 20 more thoroughbreds than the Mustang GT can supply, along with and almost an extra 82 kg-m of twist.

The Camaro's prodigious power is a given, but against expectations, the efficiency figures it's graced with are nothing to scoff at. Direct injection and variable valve timing help improve flexibility and fuel economy. When equipped with a six-

speed manual transmission, like our test car had, the SS should return 6.8 kilometres per litre in the city, 10.6 km/L highway and 8.1 km/L combined, which is not bad at all.

The Camaro I spent a week with was equipped with 1SS trim, which is the most basic version that's available with a V8 engine. Honestly, it's the one I'd get if I were spending my own greenbacks because with cloth seats, a stick and no bulls—, it's incredibly straightforward.

With a lightweight body and tons of power, it can hit 97 km/h in the four-second range. In fact, it's scary fast. From a standstill you go first, second, 137, what's my bail be set at, your honor? Why do you need a Z/28 or a ZL1? Unless you literally live at a track, the SS model is more than enough.

Aside from its engaging dynamics, the sound this Camaro makes is also enthralling. It burbles and pops, rumbles and snorts like an uncorked race car, sounds that come courtesy of that optional exhaust system.

Beyond all of this, the Camaro's magnetic ride control system allows you to completely change the suspension feel, from smooth and supple to kidney-jolting, all at the push of a button; it's pretty frickin' amazing how well this technology works, providing you with the best of both worlds.

The SS trim takes everything that's commendable about lesser Camaros and cranks it up, giving you more speed, sound and style. Sure, it may not be a perfect car, with several critical vulnerabilities, but is it ever fun!

THE CHECKLIST | 2016 CHEVROLET CAMARO SS

THE BASICS

Engine: 6.2-litre V8
Power: 455 horsepower
Transmission: Six-speed manual
Price: Starts at \$44,750, including destination



LOVE IT

- Aggressive styling
- Driving dynamics
- Incredible power
- Throaty rumble

LEAVE IT

- Useless trunk opening
- Crippling blind spots
- Not exactly cheap

TIPS

The best cars for riding with Rover



Sami Haj-Assaad
AutoGuide.com

Pet owners, assemble! Cars should be better built to accommodate your furry friends, but it turns out that many pet owners don't know what makes a car more pet friendly. Fortunately, we have an expert in all things pet-related, and she's here with some tips and things you should consider when buying a car and you have a pet.

"As your dog ages, you may

find that your present vehicle doesn't cater to his needs," said PetGuide.com editor and former AutoGuide.com contributor Amy Tokic.

"He may need more room to lie down in the backseat, or a ramp to get in and out of the car."

Tokic is pointing towards the fact that a hatchback is the more dog-friendly vehicle.

"The back pops open and your dog hops in. An added bonus: a large back window offers your dog a great view of the surroundings without

having to roll it down.

Cargo Versatility

Dogs love to move around and don't like being stuck in one place. The Magic Seats in the Honda HR-V and Honda Fit can fold flat or upwards, which allow for a level cargo area behind the front seats.

Cleanliness

"Cars that are easy to clean stay that way," explains Tokic. "If your dog sheds, good luck trying to get all of it off the fabric seats. Leather interiors are

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Subaru funded a whole study regarding the crash-worthiness of pet carriers and crates, while Volvo offers accessories designed for pet owners including a dog gate and ramp.

easier to clean — accidents and dirty paw prints wipe right off. On the flip side, they can get hot in the sun, and no one wants a burnt butt."



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EVENTS AND ENTERTAINMENT



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From small stage intimacy to sonic buffets

Whether you want to go large or keep it small and intimate, Winnipeg has a variety of festivals and events lined up for you over this coming summer.

Intimacy is the way to go for singer/songwriter Scott Nolan. Nolan, whose latest album *Silverhill* is released on indie label Transistor 66, recommends Harvest Sun Fest, Harvest Moon Fest and the Brandon Folk Festival for their smaller size.

"I love that they are small enough that you get a sense of community resolve; I also love the idea of one stage. Too many stages makes music more difficult to ingest," he says.

Being part of a community is also important to some of the bigger festivals, and one of the biggest is the Winnipeg Folk festival, which takes place this year July 7 at Birds Hill Park. Alan Doyle and the Beautiful Gypsies, The Sam Roberts Band and running in from

"THERE ARE PEOPLE WHO GO TO THE CAMPING AND NEVER GET TO THE FESTIVAL AT ALL. THEY JUST GO CAMPING"

— Richard Flohil, promoter

SASK Andy Shauf, whose star is on the rise.

The better festivals offer the opportunity to see rising stars along with established acts. They can be sonic buffets, all you can hear for one low price deals. Promoter/publicist Richard Flohil, who has been making festivals and breaking acts for 50 years, says he recommended the festival book then unknown Guy Clarke of Austin Texas in 1975. Clarke, who recently passed, is now considered by many to

be one of the great songwriters. But Winnipeg was among the first.

While music is first and foremost, Flohil says the best aspect for a lot of people is the community spirit of the camping.

"There are people in Winnipeg who go to the camping and never get to the festival at all. They just go camping... and bang drums and generally have a great old time," he says.

A generally great old time can be had too at the ten day Red River Ex running Friday June 17 to 26. Ex-Barenaked Ladies Steven Page, alt-country act The Sadies (who have backed everyone including Neil Young and Randy Bachman), classic Cancon rockers Chilliwack and New Country stars Autumn Hill are also scheduled. The excitement is not just music, every year the organisers bring new rides and games to the Ex. This year features Himalaya, and for the youngsters, "Charlie Chopper."



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Join Ma Mawi Wi Chi Itata Centre (445 King St.) on June 30 for their 31st annual general meeting. The centre will be hosting a family-friendly community celebration onsite from noon to 4 p.m., following the 2016/17 board of directors elections from 11 a.m. to noon and a business meeting from noon to 1 p.m.

"Everything is free, we make sure there's no cost so everyone can relax and enjoy the celebration," human resources assistant Amber Gareau says.

"There's a huge emphasis on families attending together, that's part of why it's on the last day of school, you know, once the kids are out, families can all make their way towards us."

The event will feature food, cultural games, pony rides, a bouncy castle, merchandise bingo and face painting. In keeping with this year's theme, Honouring Indigenous Youth, youth program participants will provide the afternoon's entertainment.

"We've got a huge youth program that we're really proud of," Gareau said. "We can showcase their talents... that way they can have



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their voice heard through whatever medium, whether that be through fiddling or singing or dancing, we're really just trying to showcase their gifts and strengths.

"We do a little bit of everything," Gareau said of the centre. "We have our three community care sites that offer prevention and support-based programs and services that include drop-in, emergency services, workshops, training and volunteer opportunities. We have our Children in Care department that works very hard to protect children and keep families together by maintaining connections to family as well as through the use of the Family Group Conference model which serves as a foundation to heal and rebuild families. Our youth program is growing larger and larger each year as we invest in this new generation of leaders through culture, education, training, and employment and leadership development opportunities."

"We are community people helping other community people reclaim our Indigenous people's inherent roles and responsibilities as caregivers and the most important teachers of our children"

Go Rogue for your promotions

Events and marketing, start to finish

When it comes to planning an event or strategizing your public image, you'll want an expert on board to ensure things run smoothly and professionally — that's where Rogue Promotions comes in.

"Our goal as an event staffing agency is to pursue and perfect the best people in the business who are proactive, responsible, outgoing and have vision," Rogue Promotions' Crystal Vickers says. "Over the past four years, we have evolved from a promotional staffing agency to a full spectrum talent agency to offer our clients more options for marketing and promoting their company and brands — best part is, we're local!"

The staff at Rogue know that consumer demands and technology are advancing, and that keeping up to date as a business is key to its success.

"Gone are the days of simply telling someone or showing someone a product,"



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Vickers said. "Today, consumers expect to interact with products in a way that reveals and caters to their behavior, features and advantages. They want to sit in the driver's seat and actively learn about the products they are purchasing, which in turn supports their long-term satisfaction and loyalty. This is largely why event planning of experiential branding campaigns have come to the forefront of many companies advertising strategies.

"How would you like to generate extra buzz about your brand? Rogue's roster is home to more than 120 upbeat, enthusiastic people who make it their mission to build your brand!"

Your pass to summer in Winnipeg

Winnipeg in the summer — so much to do, so little time! To make the most of the hot, sunny weather, you can pick up a Winnipeg Summer Pass for you and your family.

The Pass, only \$149 for an adult and \$125 for a child, lets you experience almost \$400 worth of Winnipeg attractions and leisure activities.

"It's a great way to sort of prepay for that summer and then go out and do all these great things," Winnipeg Pass managing director Enver Naidoo says. "You're saving money but also, you don't have to worry about opening your wallet again in the summer."

The Winnipeg Pass grants you access to 26 of your favourite Winnipeg attractions, including Fun Mountain Waterpark, Codebreakers Escape Rooms, Oak Hammock Marsh and Thunder Rapids. It's a great investment for anyone wanting to make the most of summer, but especially great for families.

"If you have kids of various ages, you have to keep them engaged and active," Naidoo says. "It's not like they can get in the car and drive to different places so they're kind of depending on mom and dad to keep them busy during the summer."

"Because the admission is already included, come a weeknight or weekday or weekend, you don't really have to think about it, 'What are we going to do with the kids?' There are activities



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already included."

Naidoo says that while city passes are hugely popular in major U.S. cities, it's a fairly new idea for Winnipeg, and he hopes that people will take full advantage of it. By attending even seven of the 26 activities, the Pass pays for itself.

"If it's a couple, regardless of age, there is a great opportunity to have a date night, 20 to 25 times during the summer," he says. "Everyone works hard during the week and come Thursday, they're like, 'OK, we're going to do all these great things on the weekend,' and then, you're just exhausted. But now that admission is included, it removes all the barriers."

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Summer's hottest event returns

This July 15 and 16, MTS Super-Spike returns to Maplegrove Rugby Park for what is anticipated to be a record breaking 15th year. Known as 'summer's hottest event,' MTS Super-Spike is one of the most unique festivals hosted each year in Winnipeg. With over five hundred teams expected to participate and ten bands booked to play, MTS Super-Spike combines Western Canada's biggest beach volleyball tournament, with a two day concert series, all combined in a festival atmosphere. Add in over a dozen food trucks with one of the biggest beer gardens hosted each summer in Manitoba, and you can understand why the event won the '2015 Party of the Year' award at this past Spring's inaugural Winnipeg Night Life Awards.

"The thing that makes MTS Super-Spike even more special is that fact that all funds raised from it go back towards supporting a charity cause," stated event coordinator Chris Chong. One hundred per cent of this year's net revenues will go towards supporting the Winnipeg-based National Women's Volleyball Team. "This year we are expected to surpass the one million dollar mark in raised funds supporting the National Volleyball Team," added Chong. "It is quite the accomplishment for our event



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which we are really proud of."

This year's event headliners are Canadian rockers The Sheepdogs, who will be making their much anticipated first ever visit to the MTS Super-Spike. Along with The Sheepdogs, the event will also see The JD Edwards Band, The Proud Sons, The Poor Young Things and six other bands grace the main stage. About half a dozen DJs also perform throughout the weekend, including Dow Jones who will be clos-

ing this year's event with its annual Red Bull Beach Party.

The public can register to play on a team up to Friday, July 8. Limited weekend passes for non-event participants are also for sale in advance, all at superspike.ca.

Last year the event sold out for the first time ever so public are encouraged to register soon if they want to partake in what is sure to be another amazing event this year.



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Head to the Park for some girl power

3rd Empow(her)ment features the best in female comics

Nothing's better than a little girl talk and a few drinks — with a few hundred of your friends.

Get ready for a seriously funny night at the Park Theatre (698 Osborne St.) on Friday, June 17 at the 3rd Empow(her)ment show, headlined by Toronto comic Chantel Marostica, and hosted by Winnipeg's own Ashley Burdett.

Marostica's organized all three of the female-only comedy shows at the Park, whose staff she's worked with for years.

"I've always had my shows at the Park Theatre," she said. "I started with my own show so I could headline and that was like six years ago, and then the Drunk Show, then Empow(her)ment, and White Girl Wasted — I've done a ton of shows there."

"When Erick Casselman started out, the Park was like a movie theatre where you could have kids' birthday parties, and then he just worked with me and some of my other friends to start producing bigger shows and it just came along, and he kept revamping the theatre to suit our needs."

Now a Winnipeg institution, the Park Theatre has become a hub for every kind of show the city has to offer, including comedy, music and a variety of festivals.

"There are other theatres in the city but everyone that's at Park has worked there forever and Erick is really hands-on and he's always there and it just feels like home,"



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Marostica said. "People just love the Park, I can't explain it."

And audience members have made Empow(her)ment a success as well.

"Empow(her)ment started the conversation about visibility for women in Comedy in Winnipeg," Marostica said. "Having moved to Toronto, I saw that there was a community here and so many women doing it and I wish I'd had that sense of community when I lived in Winnipeg."

For tickets and information, search Empow(her)ment #3 on Facebook. Tickets are also available at the Park Theatre, Music Traders and online at ticketfly.com.

Tickets are \$15, and the show starts at 9 p.m.

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Maria Sharapova's appeal of her two-year doping ban to the Court of Arbitration for Sport will be ruled upon next month ahead of the Olympics

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BOMBERS THIS WEEK

Ed Tait

Funny thing about the Canadian Football League pre-season and, after seven months of inactivity following the Grey Cup, how it can elicit such a passionate response from its diehard fan bases.

Absence may indeed make the heart grow fonder, but it's also caused hearts to rev in these parts, especially in the wake of the Winnipeg Blue Bombers' 18-14 loss to the Ottawa Redblacks Monday night.

First, some key facts from what we've seen from the local footballers in eight quarters of exhibition play:

— The Bombers, who played their second pre-season game five days after the first, finished the practice games at 1-1.

— Their No. 1 offence and defence, almost all involved admit, remain very much works in progress.

After that there's not a whole lot to draw any concrete conclusions from, other than a deep desire to fast-forward to the real games to avoid further retinal damage from watching the dress rehearsals. That's not just a sentiment here in Winnipeg, but across the CFL and down south in the NFL, where longer camps and a longer pre-season schedule is akin to having



Drew Willy played the first half for the Blue Bombers and made 11 passes for 87 yards in the Bombers' 18-14 loss to the Redblacks in Ottawa on Monday night. FRED CHARTRAND/THE CANADIAN PRESS

wisdom teeth removed. And then replaced and removed again.

So it might be time to pump the brakes a bit on all the angst after Monday's loss, just as it would be to do the same if the Bombers had exited the nation's capital at 2-0. No need to panic, just as an unblemished mark would hardly have been invitation to get sized up for cham-

pionship rings.

As small-sample evidence, we give you the 1990 Bombers — the last edition to bring a Grey Cup title to this city. It was almost 26 years ago, after a 29-10 pre-season loss to the Calgary Stampeders, that then-Bombers boss Cal Murphy would complete a trade that would completely alter the team's fortunes.

Frustrated with QB Lee

Saltz — the very same man who took the first snap from centre in a loss in the 1989 East Division Final — Murphy dealt his pivot, along with Allan Boyko and draft picks — to the Saskatchewan Roughriders for Tom Burgess. The deal was completed on Canada Day, 11 days before the curtain lifted on the regular season. The Bombers pre-season record

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that year? Try 0-2.

What Burgess did next was quickly endear himself to his teammates, keep his mistakes to a minimum and help pilot a team dominated by a defensive backbone to a 12-6 regular-season record and the franchise's 10th championship. Yes, that '90 team is a bit different than the current Bomber crew, as it was dominated with future hall of famers like Chris Walby, Tyrone Jones, James West, Less Browne and James Murphy. It was also just two years removed from a Grey Cup championship in 1988.

Still, the point here is to not read too much into what we've seen from the 2016 Bombers over the past week and focus on the opener, June 24th here against the Montreal Alouettes. The result Monday in Ottawa, just like last week versus the Als, is inconsequential.

As Late Show host Jimmy Fallon once said: "Thank you, pre-season football, for having all the commercials and timeouts of the regular season, but with none of the mattering."

GORDIE HOWE

Farewell to Mr. Hockey

Old hockey gloves, jerseys and framed photos were displayed on one side of Gordie Howe's flower-draped coffin, friends and family members were seated on the other.

Standing nearby were some of hockey's biggest names — Wayne Gretzky, Scotty Bowman and Steve Yzerman to name a few — who swapped stories and shared memories of the man known as Mr. Hockey.

"Somebody said it best this morning that (Jean) Beliveau, the Rocket (Maurice Richard) and Gordie — they were the three people that probably could change a hockey rink into a cathedral," Gretzky said. "And when you walked in, it was more like a church today. It's really special."

The Joe Louis Arena doors opened Tuesday morning for the 12-hour public visitation to honour Howe, who died Friday at age 88.

A steady stream of fans and well-wishers shuffled slowly down a red carpet towards Howe's coffin for the chance to say goodbye to the man many consider to be the greatest player ever.

"There won't be another equal to Gordie Howe in my mind," said Red Wings fan Jim McIntyre of Chatham, Ont. "In my mind, he was the king of hockey and he was also a prince of man."

Howe was a star forward for the Red Wings during much of his NHL career, which started in 1946 and ended in 1980. Howe, born in Floral, Sask., played 32 pro seasons and won both the Art Ross Trophy as top scorer and Hart Trophy as MVP on six occasions.

"Wherever I go — anywhere in the world — and people talk about the Red Wings, they talk about Gordie Howe," Yzerman said. "They really do."

Howe set NHL marks with 801 goals and 1,850 points. Those records were eventually eclipsed by Gretzky.

"He's the nicest man I ever met," said Gretzky, his voice cracking with emotion.



Gordie Howe, 1928-2016
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BASEBALL

Fish return home with a bang

The Winnipeg Goldeyes captured their third win in a row as they returned home Tuesday night to top the Texas AirHogs 5-3.

Fish starter Kyle Anderson looked strong until AirHogs designated hitter Will DuPont got a hold of one in the fourth for a three-run trot around the bags.

Winnipeg's Jacob Rogers responded in the same inning with a leadoff dinger for his team-leading fifth round-tripper of the season. Josh Romanski and David Rohm added RBIs, while Maikol Gonzalez's sailing two-

TUESDAY In Winnipeg



out, two-run double to left in the seventh put the Fish up for good.

Conor Spink captured his first win of the season, while Jailen Peguero earned his fifth save.

Over the last week the Fish put together a mediocre 3-4 road trip, dropping their three-game series in Sioux City and split-

ting their four-gamer with rival Fargo-Moorhead.

On Monday Goldeyes starter Edwin Carl was named the American Association's Pitcher of the Week, going 1-0 with a 0.69 ERA in two starts while fanning 17 batters over 13 innings, including a six-inning shutout in Sunday's start where he struck out 10.

Winnipeg (14-11) continues their six-game home stand with two more against Texas (10-15) before hosting the St. Paul Saints for a trio over the weekend.

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EXPANSION

Vegas in NHL, if it plays its cards right

The NHL is ready to roll the dice on Las Vegas.

A person with direct knowledge of the NHL's decision says the league has settled on Las Vegas as the home for its next expansion franchise, provided organizers can come up with a \$500 million fee.

The person spoke Tuesday on condition of anonymity because details of the plans have not been released by the league ahead of its board of governors meeting on June

22 in Las Vegas. Quebec City was also strongly considered for expansion.

A second person who had been briefed on the decision said Las Vegas was a "done deal" following the recommendation of the NHL's executive committee.

The Vegas franchise is expected to begin play in the 2017-18 season, which is the earliest the league could expand, according to a third person. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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RECIPE Lemon Linguini



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Ceri Marsh & Laura Keogh
For Metro Canada

Summer doesn't have to mean forgetting all about pasta for three months. This elegant linguini dish is zingy from citrus, yet has a light, creamy texture.

Ready in
Prep time: 10 minutes
Cook time: 10 minutes

- Ingredients**
- 1 500 gram package of linguini
 - 3 lemons, juiced
 - 1 lemon, zested
 - 6 Tbsp olive oil
 - 1 1/2 cup Parmesan cheese, grated
 - handful of basil, washed and sliced into strips
 - salt and pepper to taste

Directions

1. Cook pasta according to package instructions. Scoop out about a cup of the cooking water before draining and set aside.
2. While pasta is cooking mix together lemon juice, zest, oil, Parmesan in a small bowl.
3. Place drained pasta back into the pot. Pour the sauce over the pasta and toss well until the cheese melts and each strand of pasta is well coated. You can add a bit of cooking water if you need to loosen up your sauce.
4. Add in the basil and toss again. Serve with a sprinkle of Parmesan

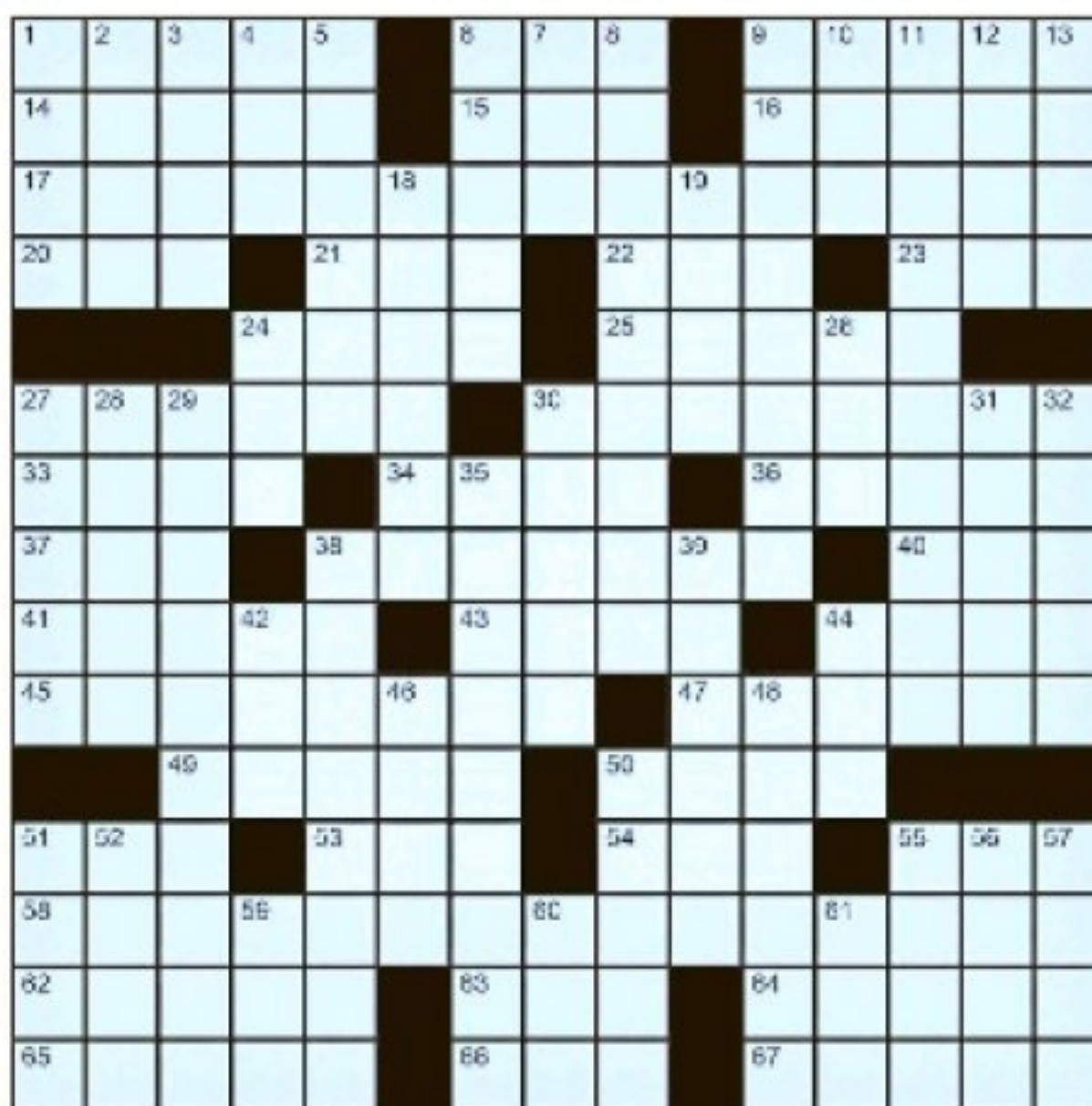
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1. Cary of "The Princess Bride" (1987)
6. Research
9. Honolulu parties
14. Saskatchewan town south of Prince Albert
15. WWW address
16. Accepted practice
17. Promptly-pallid plane passenger props: 3 wds.
20. Ottawa gr.
21. Never: German
22. Bill the Cat's exclamation in comics!
23. "Zoolander" (2001) star ...his initials-sharers
24. 'A' in CIA [abbr.]
25. Hot chocolate
27. Arbitrate
30. Defeated
33. 'Confl' - 'Constr' - 'Constr' completers
34. Scarce
36. 'Your' in French
37. "Well, ___-di-dah."
38. The current Mayor of Montreal, Denis ___
40. 'Absorb' suffix
41. For ___ see (Open for the public)
43. Flower shop piece
44. Creamy cheese
45. Washes
47. Bellowing burro
49. Exclusive circle
50. ___ Canal
51. Mtl. football players
53. Alternatives
54. Calgary Stampede's org.
55. Sugar amt.
58. Elusive quest for



explorer Juan Ponce de Leon: 3 wds.
62. Think alike
63. Asphalt
64. Had
65. Clarinetist's stash
66. "___-hawl"
67. Tide types

DOWN

1. Mr. McGregor
2. ___-back (Relaxed)
3. TV sitcom radio station
4. Lou Grant's portrayer ...his initials-sharers
5. Golfing tee-off moves
6. Great Big Sea

song that goes "... boat is painted green / Ha, me boys!"
7. Prince Valiant's son
8. Stadium seats waaaay out there
9. Canada's Capital Region... Geological passage-of-marble at-

traction in Gatineau Park: 2 wds.
10. Computer's lettered port
11. ___ (Item to help power up a TV remote control)
12. Australian boots
13. Legis. meeting
18. Roman orator

19. Bulk-carrying barge
24. Three-toed sloths
26. Motto of Montana, ___ y Plata (Gold and Silver)
27. Lavender
28. "___ Your Name" by The Beatles
29. Sporty style
30. Financial officer, e.g.
31. Bert's muppet pal
32. Discourage
35. Hardship
38. Implies
39. Bluntly reject
42. Shoe hue
44. Director Mr. Luhrmann
46. "___ whatever will be, will be..."
48. Turn to for trusty support: 2 wds.
50. Mark with notches
51. "___ Off Place" (1993) starring Reese Witherspoon
52. Private box at the theatre
55. Bluefin ___
56. Footprint
57. High degs.
59. Mr. Bellamy
60. Scott's 'no'
61. Have debts

★ IT'S ALL IN THE STARS Your daily horoscope by Francis Drake

Aries March 21 - April 20
Your communication skills are fabulous today. In fact, you can make money with your words, which is good news for those of you who sell, market, write, edit, teach and act.

Taurus April 21 - May 21
This is an excellent day for business and finance. In fact, all financial negotiations will be favorable to you. Shop for beautiful things for yourself and your loved ones.

Gemini May 22 - June 21
Because everyone is laid-back and mellow today, you will get along easily with all your contacts. You might be attracted to the arts and/or buy beautiful things.

Cancer June 22 - July 23
Solitude in beautiful surroundings will please you today. You want to mellow out; at the same time, you want to appreciate the beauty around you.

Leo July 24 - Aug. 23
You will enjoy entertaining at home today. Likewise, you will enjoy redecorating your home, because you want everything to be comfy, cozy and inviting!

Virgo Aug. 24 - Sept. 23
Relations with daily contacts are excellent today, because you are so charming. Enjoy talking to siblings, relatives and neighbors. This is also a good day for writers.

Libra Sept. 24 - Oct. 23
You love beautiful surroundings, and today you will want to buy beautiful things for your surroundings. On the whole, this is a good day for financial matters.

Scorpio Oct. 24 - Nov. 22
Today the Moon is in your sign, dancing beautifully with fair Venus. This promotes all your relations with others and stimulates your interest in the arts.

Sagittarius Nov. 23 - Dec. 21
It will benefit you to work alone or behind the scenes today, even if you're dealing with members of the general public. Quite likely, whatever you do will work out well.

Capricorn Dec. 22 - Jan. 20
Relations with a female acquaintance will be positive today. Someone might give you tips on how to improve your health.

Aquarius Jan. 21 - Feb. 19
You shine in the eyes of others today, especially bosses, parents, teachers, VIPs and the police. Because people think so highly of you, use this to your advantage!

Pisces Feb. 20 - March 20
Travel for pleasure appeals today. In fact, any opportunity to enjoy beautiful places or arts and crafts of other countries will delight you.

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